

BYLAWS OF THE EL GHEKO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE ONE - NAME AND BOUNDARIES

The name of this association shall be EL GHEKO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. It shall comprise the area bounded by the south side of Speedway from Wilmot to Kolb, the west side of Kolb to Broadway, the north side of Broadway to the west side of Rosehill Wash, the west side of Rosehill Wash to the intersection of the north side of Carondelet, the north side of Carondelet to east side of Wilmot; and the east side of Wilmot to Speedway. This is not a homeowner's association.

ARTICLE TWO - PURPOSES

This Neighborhood association is formed to provide meaningful and lasting relationships among neighbors, to establish communication among residents, to keep the neighborhood safe and secure, to maintain the sense of community of the neighborhood, and to address general neighborhood concerns.

ARTICLE THREE - MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership of this association consists of residents, property owners, and business owners within the above defined boundaries. Each business qualifies as one member.
2. Each member is entitled to one vote.
3. Business meetings shall be open to members who are identified as residents, property owners, or business owners within the above defined boundaries.
4. There shall be no dues. All participation and support shall be strictly voluntary.

ARTICLE FOUR - NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

A. The neighborhood Council consists of:

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary/Treasurer
4. Neighborhood Liaisons
5. Past Presidents

B. The duties of the Neighborhood Council Members are:

1. PRESIDENT: Presides, appoints and coordinates committees, speaks for the Associations officially, presides over meetings, and reports at each regular meeting on the state of the Association.
2. VICE-PRESIDENT: Stands in for the President as needed.

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3. **SECRETARY/TREASURER:** Keeps minutes of each regular meeting and special meeting and maintains a directory of active neighbors with phone numbers and contact addresses. Maintains an Association bank account, collects, and disburses funds as authorized by the Association, accounts for Association assets, and reports at each regular meeting on Association finances.
 4. **NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISONS:** There will be two liaison persons from each neighborhood. They are the contact people for each of the neighborhoods. Each separate neighborhood will elect the liaison persons to represent their particular area. They are charged with distributing the Association literature, meeting notices, etc. The neighborhood liaison may be assisted by volunteers from within their neighborhood. The neighborhood liaison person will also be voting members of the Neighborhood Council.
- C. Election of officers, who must be Association members for their tenure in office, shall be the first item of business at the annual meeting, unless a decision to postpone the election is made at the previous regularly scheduled meeting. The president shall fill vacancies by appointment until the next regularly scheduled meeting, at which time a successor shall be elected. The next listed officer shall substitute for one unable to perform his or her duties.
- D. Any officer may be removed from office for cause by a majority vote of the voting members.

ARTICLE FIVE - COMMITTEES

- A. The President shall have the power to appoint committees as necessary.
- B. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- C. Standing committees include but are not limited to:
1. **COMMUNICATIONS.** Responsible for publishing and distributing the Association newsletter, accounting regular and special meetings, publicizing events and special concerns.
 2. **NEIGHBORHOOD SPRIT:** Responsible for encouraging cohesiveness and morale within the EL GHEKO NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION are through social get-together, neighborhood events, collaboration with Hudlow Elementary School and other initiatives designed to foster a sense of genuine community.

ARTICLE SIX - NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS, ANNUAL REPORTS, AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

- A. Nomination of officers may be made prior to or at the annual meeting which shall be held on the third Monday of January each calendar year.
- B. Election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting. Term of office shall be one year.
- C. Upon installation of the officers whose terms begin at the close of the annual meeting, the outgoing officers will submit to their newly elected counterparts all documents, records, money and any other material pertaining to the duties of the office in a timely manner.
- D. The neighborhood Liaison representatives will also be elected at the annual meeting with each separate neighborhood nominating and electing the representatives from their respective areas.

E. Each officer shall be elected by secret ballot.

ARTICLE SEVEN - FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

A. Expenditure of the funds of the Association shall require the signature of at least two officers and shall be capped at two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Amounts in excess of Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00), must be approved by the Neighborhood Council.

B. Financial records and funds of the Association shall be audited prior to the annual meeting by a committee of at least two members of the Neighborhood Council appointed by the President. Financial records may be audited at any time upon a majority vote of either the Neighborhood Council or the Association.

C. In the event of dissolution of the Association, the membership shall arrange for the disposition of any remaining funds to Hudlow Elementary School.

ARTICLE EIGHT - MEETINGS

A. Regular meetings shall be held at least four times annually at widely publicized times and places.

B. Special meetings called by the President or by another officer with the endorsement of at least twenty (20) members to deal with emergencies must be publicized to all member households at least 48 hours in advance to maximize participation.

C. A binding meeting shall consist of at least 15 members.

D. At any regular or special meeting, the simple majority shall rule when a vote is taken. A simple majority shall be defined as at least 51% of the members in attendance.

E. The rules in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the Association, the Neighborhood Council and all committees in all cases to which they apply and do not conflict with the specific provisions of these Bylaws or any special rules that the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE NINE - AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

A. These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote.

B. Proposed amendments shall be sent to all members at least five working days in advance of the meeting where action is to be taken or shall be read at the preceding meeting.

ARTICLE TEN - GENERAL

A. If any part of the Bylaws or the application thereof is hereafter held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall not be affected thereby, and only the affected portions re-declared eliminated.

B. No officer, representative, spokesperson or member shall have any financial liability for the Association.

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